

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.204**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
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SUBJECT:	Adoption Statutes		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill would require anyone seeking approval to adopt a child in the custody of the Department of Social Services (DSS) to undergo a fingerprint review and would prohibit placing a DSS child in a home where anyone in the home over age eighteen has pled guilty or nolo contendere to unlawful conduct toward a child or cruelty to children.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Social Services indicates that this Bill would require additional costs but should be minimal and would be absorbed, as mechanisms already are in place to complete record checks of applicants.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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